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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7359**
Yoshihito KAWAMURA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006_0785A
Serial No. 10/579,971 : Group Art Unit 1793
Filed May 23, 2006 : Examiner Sikyin Ip

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975.

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of September 19, 2008, constituting a requirement for restriction among Groups 1-11 as defined on pages 2-4 of the Office Action, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group 1, i.e. claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 8-14, 19, 21, 22, 24, 26-33 and 38. This election is made while reserving Applicants' rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter of Groups 2-11.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

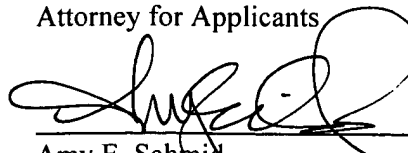
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